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SACRAMENTO MAN INDICTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

SACRAMENTO—United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today the indictment of SHANNON DUNCAN, 56, of Sacramento, who was charged with transporting two video-image files, each of which depicted minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct, from Sacramento to Buffalo, New York.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Laurel D. White, who is prosecuting the case, the indictment alleges that Duncan used the internet to distribute child pornography videos. Duncan has also been charged in a second count with the possession of child pornography on or about January 7, 2004. In a third count, the Indictment seeks the forfeiture of the computer used by Duncan to transport and possess the pornography.

Upon conviction for transporting images depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct, Duncan faces a maximum 20-year term of imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and a possible life term of supervised release. The possession charge carries a maximum 10 year term of imprisonment.

The charges pending against Duncan are only allegations, and he is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

This case was investigated by the FBI.

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